SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 254

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Theresa Parrish, 2007 Salutatorian of William Blount High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Parrish is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2007 graduating class at William Blount High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Parrish has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Theresa has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young lady has earned numerous other accolades; she was selected to the United States Achievement Academy; received the National English Merit Award; and earned Academic Letters in Science, Math, English, and Social Studies; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed leader among her peers, she has served with distinction as Treasurer of the Spanish Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs,
Theresa has been a member of several academic, social, and civic organizations, including the
National English Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, and the Beta Club; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parrish's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success as a student at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, where she will continue her education through the auspices of an academic scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Theresa's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Bob and Gail Parrish, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Parrish's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Theresa Parrish, 2007 William Blount High School Salutatorian, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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